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# welcome

WITH EDITOR PHIL HARRIS



**W**elcome to this evening's small-but-perfectly-formed matchday programme everybody — an accompaniment to what has turned out to be one of the most important games of either teams' season.

Little did we know at five o'clock on Saturday January 6th what prize would await the winners of tonight's replay.

Everyone hoped for a good home draw in the fourth round of course — but Arsenal? that's some carrot to dangle in front of both teams and there can be no doubting the real sense of frustration that will

be felt by tonight's losers. It should be some game.

This evening's programme still contains a lot of the old regulars. Capital Gold's Tony Incenzo rounds up the latest Rangers news and views in 'Bush Telegraph' whilst Geraldine Field reports back from the first game at Kenilworth Road in 'Away with the Rangers'.

Finally, just a reminder that if tonight's game finishes level after 90 minutes there will be a full half hour of extra time. If the tie is still not resolved by then we will have a penalty shoot-out. Can Gavin take all of them please?

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Good evening ladies and gentlemen and a very warm welcome to tonight's FA Cup third round replay with Luton Town.

Our win on Saturday against West Brom was very welcome, but the manner of the victory was even more important. We thoroughly deserved to win the game and had we taken more of our chances in a first half that we totally dominated, the victory would have been by a much greater margin.

Nevertheless, thanks to Chris Plummer's first ever goal for the club and a great solo effort from Sammy Koejoe, we collected three vital points. I was also delighted with the players' spirit with Peter Crouch and Clarke Carlisle getting out of their beds with 'flu to play and Chris Kiwomya, Michel Ngonge

# gerry francis

and Matthew Rose, none of whom were 100% fit, trying to help out.

Our third round match at Luton 10 days ago was an amazing cup tie. Both teams started brightly during the first 20 minutes with Ludek Miklosko making a couple of good saves and Peter Crouch having two decent chances with headers.

But when Luton scored from their second corner in the 20th minute we were second best for the rest of the half and by that time Luton had scored from another corner to put them 2-0 up.

I can't tell you exactly what was said in the dressing room at half time but suffice it to say I was not a very happy man. I made two changes to the side for the second half and I have to say that the players responded magnificently.

Within 15 minutes of the restart the score was 2-2 — a great pass from Gavin Peacock found Peter Crouch who controlled and finished brilliantly before a good move involving Clarke Carlisle, Sammy Koejoe and a great chip from Karl Connolly enabled Peter Crouch to head his second goal and bring us level.

We were now in control and were unfortunate not to have taken the lead on a couple of occasions before a cross from Douglas — going nowhere near the goal — hit Clarke Carlisle and deflected into the net for an own goal with 10 minutes remaining.

This was obviously a big blow for the players but they kept going and had two chances cleared off the line as the minutes ticked away. Yet with a minute to go a Richard Langley corner was handled by Lee Logan as Peter Crouch was coming in to make

contact with the ball and the referee pointed to the spot.

Gavin Peacock was very cool under pressure and put away an excellent penalty to give us a replay that our second half performance deserved.

So tonight there is a massive incentive for both teams to get into the fourth round with mighty Arsenal waiting to play the victors. We have to make absolutely sure that we give everything we can to ensure that team is going to be us. Therefore we also need your great vocal support behind the players, like on Saturday against West Brom and against Luton 10 days ago, because it will not be easy.

As with the first game, we are going to have to fight for the right to be in the next round.

Come on you Rs!

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ALL THE LATEST RANGERS NEWS AND PLAYER VIEWS WITH TONY INCENZO

## handball

**LUTON BOSS** Lil Fuccillo (bottom left) was flabbergasted after the last minute handball by Lee Nogan that gave Rangers the equalising penalty in the 3-3 draw at Kenilworth Road.

Fuccillo said: "It was a mad moment from our most experienced player. The ball wasn't going anywhere, so it made the incident doubly bad for us.

"Even where I was, you could see it was a handball. It wasn't even one of those discreet ones.

"I could understand if he had lunged at someone because it was a last minute, last ditch tackle. That is still a horrible way to give away a penalty, but at least you can understand that a player is trying to do something. But that handball? I really don't know.

"I turned to my people in the dug out and said 'Why do you do something like that?' They all looked amazed as well.

"Funny enough, I was going to take Nogan off in the second half just to change our pattern of attacks. But Andrew Fotiadis up front had a groin strain so he had to come off.

"Lee Nogan was in tears in the dressing room afterwards. He apologised to everyone else. He had no explanation for it. I don't know what goes through your head when you do something like that.

"Looking ahead to the replay, I won't say we have a team that can win games against First Division opposition. But we will give QPR a good game at Loftus Road."

## statattack

**HERE ARE** the match stats from the 3-3 draw at Luton...

	Luton	QPR
shots on target	7	11
shots off target	6	5
corners	5	5
free-kicks	7	9
caught offside	5	2
bookings	0	0

## lastminute

**GAVIN PEACOCK** was as cool as a cucumber as he tucked away the last minute penalty equaliser in the 3-3 draw at Luton. Gavin said: "Obviously, there was

pressure on the penalty. But in those situations you have to make up your mind what you are going to do. Then you keep your head down and make sure you get a good contact on it.

"Don't lift your head too early. That is the main thing I have learned in those situations. Often, you see people miss penalties in World Cups and so on and the reason is they are looking at the goal too early.

"I had a bit of an obscured view of the actual penalty incident, but I just saw Nogan's hand fly up. It looked a bit unusual because there was no need for him to do it.

"In saying that, I did that myself once. I was playing for Chelsea in the year we got to the FA Cup Final. We played away to Oxford in the fourth round. In the last minute when we were 1-0 up, the ball came over and instinctively I thought an Oxford player was behind me to head it in. I just flung my hand up to stop the ball. So I know how Lee Nogan feels! In saying that, Oxford missed the penalty and we went on to reach the Cup Final."

## petercrouch

**TWO GREAT** goals by Peter Crouch at Luton in the 3-3 draw

## tonight's tie

**LOOKING FORWARD** to tonight's FA Cup tie against Luton, QPR's past League and Cup record against the Hatters is... **Played 119 Won 45 Drew 32 Lost 42 For 175 Against 166** Including last week's 3-3 draw, there have been 12 previous FA Cup meetings between Rangers and Luton. Both sides have won four games with four ending in draws. The last League meetings between the sides came in the 1991/2 season. Rangers won 2-1 at home (Ferdinand 2) and 1-0 away (Barker). Luton were relegated from the First Division at the end of that season - the last campaign before the Premier League was formed.



GAVIN PEACOCK: PENALTY HERO

took his tally to six in six outings for Rangers.

Peter said: "For the first goal, Gavin Peacock put a good ball over the top for me. I don't know if I was offside or not, but I wasn't going to look at the linesman. I went through and I just managed to slot it in the corner.

"The second came from a nice team move. It was a good ball across the box by Karl Connolly and I was there in the right place at the right time to meet his excellent cross.

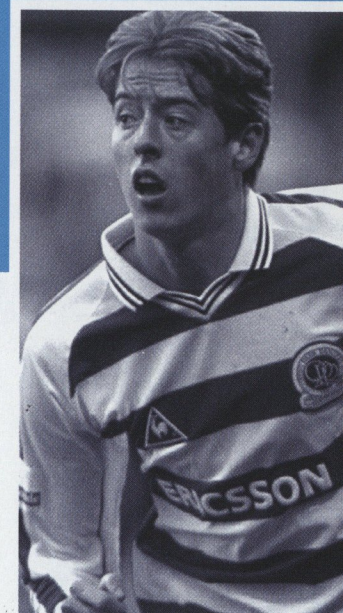
"I'm pleased with the number of goals I've been getting. I've been aiming to improve my game as the season progresses and things have been going in the net for me recently. I haven't set myself any targets, but hopefully I can get as many goals as I can.

"We've got Luton back to Loftus Road now. I'm sure we'll have the crowd behind us and it will be a different game. Luton proved in the first game that this is no easy task so there is still a lot of hard work to do."

## extranger

**FORMER QPR** defender Ernie Howe has been named Ryman League Premier Division Manager of the Month at Basingstoke Town.

With games in hand, sixth placed Basingstoke could creep into the title chase,



which is currently being dominated by their Hampshire rivals Aldershot Town and Farnborough Town.

Howe said: "It was nice to win the monthly award, even though it is often the kiss of death for a manager! Compared to last year when we finished fifth bottom, our form is excellent."

## groundcapacity

**A SURVEY** in the current edition of Groundtastic, the football grounds magazine, places Rangers 45th in a table of League clubs' ground capacities.

Loftus Road has a capacity of 19,148, putting Rangers just behind Portsmouth (19,179) and just ahead of Port Vale (18,902) in the table.

The largest capacity in the country is held by Manchester United (68,936). The smallest is at Mansfield Town (4,500), where spectator facilities are currently restricted due to a massive rebuilding programme.

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**WHETHER** this impressive win marks the turning of a corner or not, there is little doubt that confidence is returning to the team. West Brom were well beaten and goals from Chris Plummer and Sammy Koejoe were the very least that the home side deserved.

This was the first time since May that QPR won a game by at least two goals, but their dominance throughout could and should have

led to more. Plummer's first ever Rangers goal materialised after Richard Sneekes casual clearance had rebounded into Peter Crouch's path.

But it wasn't until Koejoe's classy finish with 20 minutes remaining that the home fans could breathe a little easier. Despite facing the obstacle of two defenders in front of him, a flick and a shimmy did for them and his strike was from the top drawer.

The highly praised twin strike force of Jason Roberts and Lee Hughes offered little for the visitors all afternoon with the endeavour of Rangers' attacking play matched by the solidity of the rearguard.

Rangers remain second bottom but with only three points separating them from 17th placed Stockport, this vital win has at least opened up a path away from danger.

QPR 2 | 0 west brom

PLUMMER 29  
KOEJOE 72

**RANGERS:** Miklosko, Darlington, Carlisle, Plummer, Baraclough, Perry, Langley, Peacock, Connolly (Morrow), Koejoe (Kiwomya) Crouch unused subs: Harper, Wardley, Ngonge

**WEST BROM:** Jensen, Butler, Chambers (Taylor), Carbon, Lyttle (Balis), Jordao, Fox, Sneekes, Clement, Hughes, Roberts unused subs: Hoult, Sigurdsson, Chambers



## ■ the story so far

FIRST ROUND	RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	H	1-0
SECOND ROUND	DARLINGTON	A	0-0
REPLAY		H	2-0
THIRD ROUND	QPR	H	3-3

# lutontown

A decade or so after mixing it with this country's football elite, Luton have had to cope with all sorts of difficulties in the last few years, including almost going out of business. Their participation in the 1999/2000 season was in doubt until a few hours before it kicked off.

For Hatters supporters, that summer was a mixture of gripping fear and eventually huge relief as boardroom disputes led the club being put in to receivership. It was not until 15 hours before the season's first league match that Luton knew for sure they would still be in The Football League. The new owners brought stability and Luton enjoyed an unflustered season, finishing 13th.

Then last summer came more change. Another new owner took over in Mike Watson-Challis, a director during the successful 1980s. Manager Lenny Lawrence was replaced by former star player Ricky Hill and, together with assistant Chris Ramsey, he began plotting a revival of fortunes for a club which once competed with the best and

would have played in Europe were it not for the ban on English clubs between 1985 and 1990.

Their hopes came to nothing though and with Luton languishing close to the bottom of Division Two in November of last year, both men were replaced by two former players already on the staff — Lil Fuccillo and John Moore.

Luton Town had entered the 1990s as one of this country's leading clubs. They enjoyed 10

glorious year in the top flight winning the League Cup in 1988 after defeating Arsenal in a thrilling final at Wembley.

But then came the decline, with a club in an antiquated stadium unable to compete with the big-money outfits. Luton were relegated in the final season before the introduction of the Premiership and within four seasons had dropped down again to the division they now inhabit.

The summer of 1999 saw

receivers force through unwelcome player sales and restrict recruitment of new ones, but Luton got through that campaign and now with a new board and management team in place and plans taking shape for a new stadium, the supporters hope that at long last the Hatters really are set to move ahead again.

This season, since Fuccillo's arrival in the hot seat, Town have as yet been unable to haul themselves out of the

relegation zone and the club have no immediate ambition beyond finishing in 20th place.

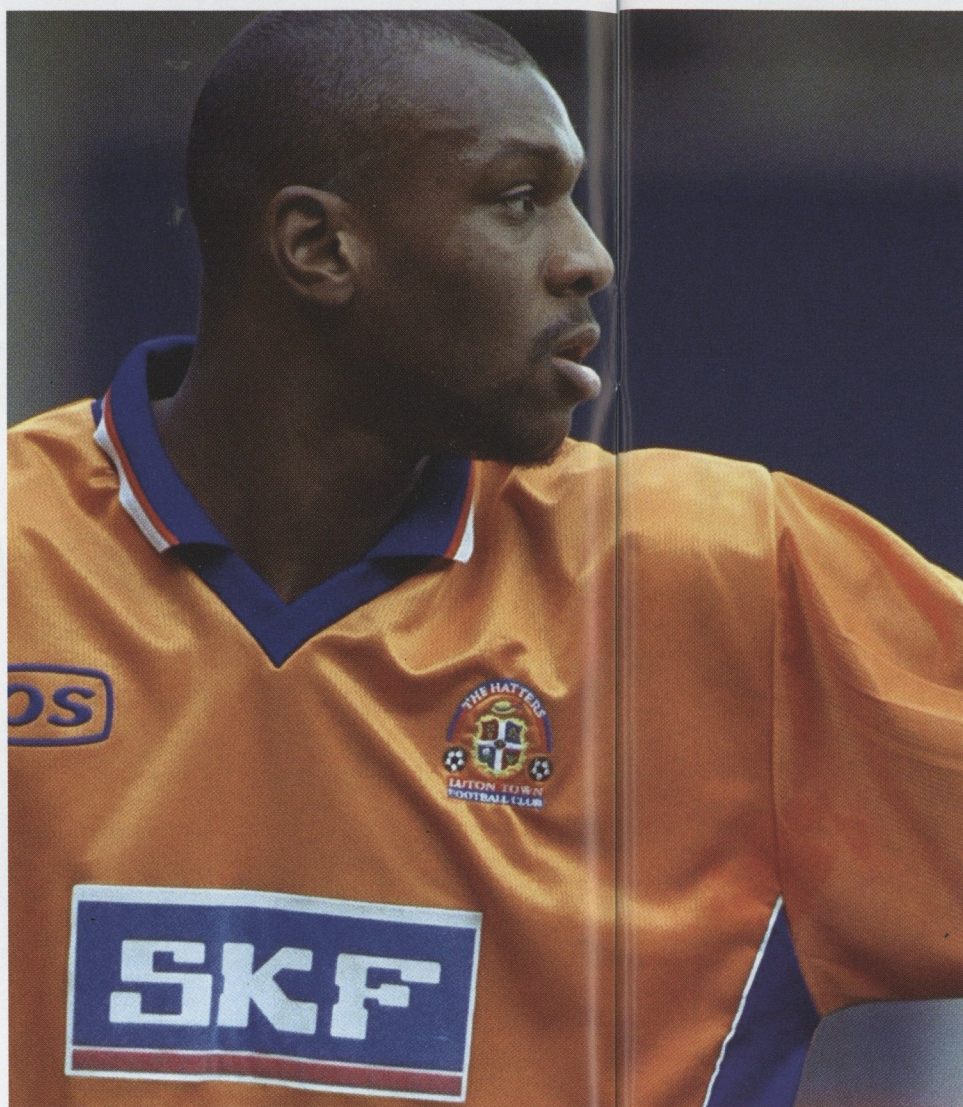
Their previous two games before the FA Cup clash with QPR ended in defeat and there is still an awful lot of work to be done if this season isn't to end in tears. The Cup does at least provide some distraction though and Town's performance against Rangers did at least suggest that the potential is there for revival.

Conference hot shots Rushden

and Diamonds were overcome in round one before a tricky tie at Darlington in round two was dealt with courtesy of a replay at Kenilworth Road.

The first game at Feethams ended 0-0 but goals from Nogan and McLaren took Luton through to their meeting with Rangers.

This evening they will be looking for similar replay success as both teams strive for the victory to set up a money-spinning fourth round tie with Arsenal.



### mark ovendale

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 22.11.73  
**POSITION** ▶ GOALKEEPER

Ricky Hill signed this former non-league 'keeper at the start of the season from Bournemouth. He previously enjoyed spells with Wisbech, Northampton and Barry Town.

### adrian whitbread

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 22.10.71  
**POSITION** ▶ DEFENDER

Experienced central defender signed on loan from Portsmouth in late November. Began his career at Leyton Orient before joining Swindon in 1993 and Pompey in 1996.

### adam locke

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 20.8.70  
**POSITION** ▶ MIDFIELDER

Joined Luton from Bristol City in the summer of 1999 on a free transfer. Having begun his career at Crystal Palace he has also played for Southend and Colchester.

### mark stein

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 28.1.66  
**POSITION** ▶ FORWARD

20 years after joining Luton, Stein returned to become Ricky Hill's first signing. A regular goalscorer throughout an impressive career with QPR, Chelsea, Bournemouth and Stoke.

### petri helin

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 13.12.69  
**POSITION** ▶ DEFENDER

Finnish international defender signed in early November from Jokerit of Helsinki. Now has 18 Finnish caps to his name the last of which came against England.

### matthew taylor

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 27.11.81  
**POSITION** ▶ DEFENDER

Another promising young player who came up through the ranks at Kenilworth Road to make his first team debut at 17. Now regularly featuring in the side at wing back.

### peter holmes

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 18.11.80  
**POSITION** ▶ MIDFIELDER

Formerly at Sheffield Wednesday, Holmes was one of Ricky Hill's first signings for Luton. A product of the FA School of Excellence, he left Hillsborough in May 2000.

### andrew fotiadis

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 6.9.77  
**POSITION** ▶ FORWARD

Another local discovery who joined Luton straight from school. He won England school's caps at under 15 and under 18 levels. An old fashioned powerful centre forward.

### stuart fraser

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 9.1.80  
**POSITION** ▶ DEFENDER

Stylish defender and former skipper of the Hatters' youth team. Made his first team debut on the final day of the 1997/98 season in a 3-2 win against Carlisle.

### julian watts

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 17.3.71  
**POSITION** ▶ DEFENDER

Joined on a free transfer from Bristol City last season having begun his career at Rotherham. He has also enjoyed spells with Sheffield Wednesday and Leicester City.

### matthew spring

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 17.11.79  
**POSITION** ▶ MIDFIELDER

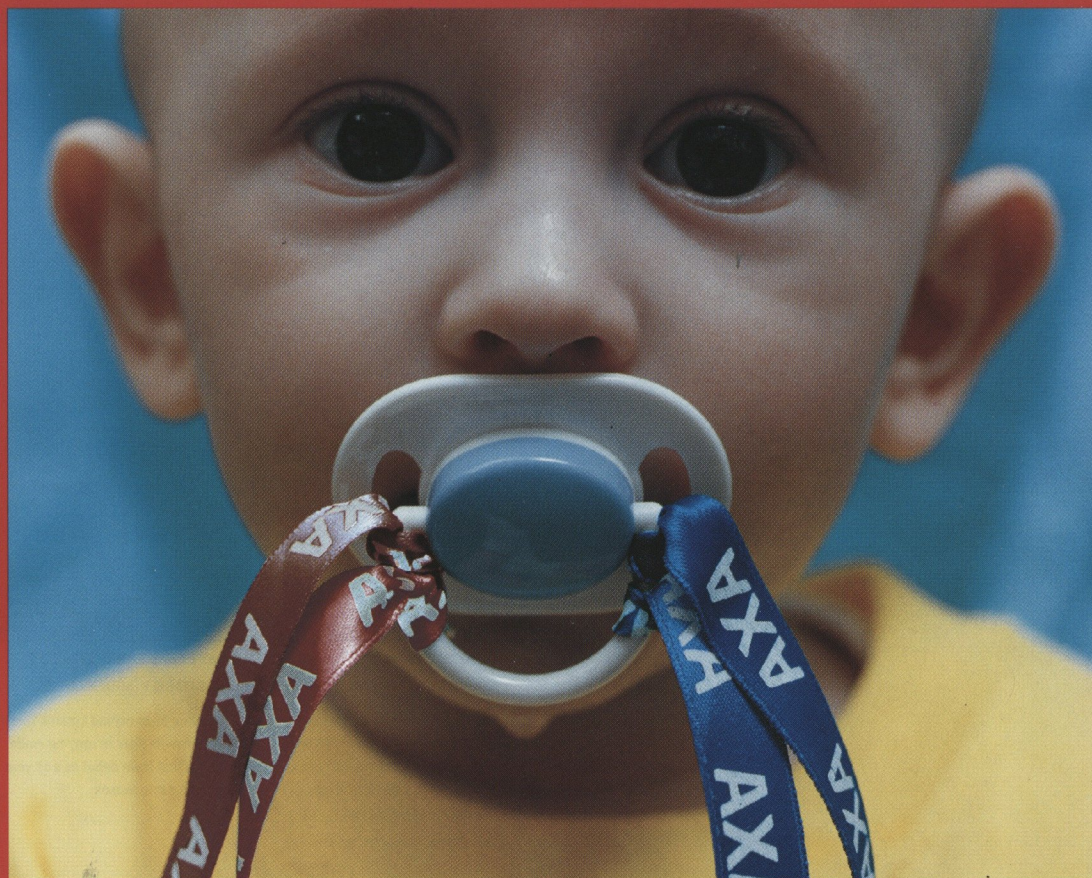
A driving force behind Luton's Youth Cup semi-finalists in 1997 he made his full first team debut as a 17 year old that same season.

### lee nogan

**DATE OF BIRTH** ▶ 21.5.69  
**POSITION** ▶ FORWARD

Brother of former Luton favourite Kurt this Welsh international previously enjoyed spells with Brentford, Southend, Watford, Reading, Notts County, Grimsby and Darlington.





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### The Complete Third Round Story

Home Team	(HT)/FT	Away Team	(HT)/FT	Atten.
Blackburn Rovers	(0) 2	Chester City	(0) 0	15,223
Bolton Wand.	(1) 2	Yeovil Town	(1) 1	11,161
Bournemouth	(1) 2	Gillingham	(2) 3	7,403
Bradford City	(0) 0	Middlesbrough	(0) 1	7,303
Burnley	(1) 1	Scunthorpe Utd	(1) 1	8,054
Cardiff City	(0) 1	Crewe Alex	(1) 1	13,403
Carlisle United	(0) 0	Arsenal	(1) 1	15,300
Charlton Ath	(0) 1	Dagenham & R	(1) 1	19,059
Chelsea	(2) 5	Peterborough U	(0) 0	31,912
Derby County	(1) 3	WBA	(0) 2	19,232
Fulham	(1) 1	Manchester Utd	(1) 2	19,178
Huddersfield T	(0) 0	Bristol City	(2) 2	9,192
Leeds United	(1) 1	Barnsley	(0) 0	32,386
Leicester City	(0) 3	York City	(0) 0	16,850
Leyton Orient	(0) 0	Tottenham H.	(0) 1	12,336
Liverpool	(0) 3	Rotherham Utd	(0) 0	30,689
Luton Town	(2) 3	QPR	(0) 3	8,677
Manchester City	(3) 3	Birmingham C	(0) 2	19,380
Morecambe	(0) 0	Ipswich Town	(1) 3	5,923
Newcastle Utd	(0) 0	Aston Villa	(0) 1	37,862
Nottingham F	(0) 0	Wolves	(0) 1	14,601
Portsmouth	(1) 1	Tranmere Rov	(1) 2	11,058
Preston NE	(0) 0	Stockport Co	(0) 1	9,975
Sheffield Weds	(1) 2	Norwich City	(0) 1	15,971
Southampton	(0) 1	Sheffield Utd	(0) 0	14,158
Southend Utd	(0) 0	Kingstonian	(1) 1	7,270
Sunderland	(0) 0	Crystal Palace	(0) 0	30,908
Swindon Town	(0) 0	Coventry City	(1) 2	14,445
Walsall	(1) 2	West Ham Utd	(1) 3	9,402
Watford	(1) 1	Everton	(0) 2	15,635
Wimbledon	(2) 2	Notts County	(1) 2	4,391
Wycombe W	(0) 1	Grimsby Town	(1) 1	5,390

### 2000-2001 F.A. Cup Top Scorers

1	2	3	4	5	6
Earnshaw	Cardiff City				
Stevens	Carlisle Utd				
Griffiths	Leyton Orient				
Ipoua	Scunthorpe Utd				
Fletcher	Northwich Vic				
Mike	Northwich Vic				
Naylor	Darlington				
Patmore	Yeovil Town				
Stallard	Notts County				
Vaughan	Canvey Island				
Whitehall	Chester City				
2 Goals Each:					
Abbott	Aldershot				
Bates	Wycombe W				
Butler	Reading				
Christie	Derby County				
Clist	Bristol City				
Cowe	Swindon Town				
Crouch	Q.P.R.				
Doble	Carlisle United				
Dudley	Oldham Athletic				
Elliott	Bournemouth				
Evans	Cardiff City				
Forrester	Northampton				
George	Luton Town				
Gray	Oxford United				
2 Goals Each:					
Grayson	Cheltenham				
Gregory	Canvey Island				
Hadley	Kidderminster				
Heskey	Liverpool				
Hodgson	Darlington				
Howe	Swindon Town				
Hughes	Notts County				
Kanoute	West Ham United				
Liburd	Notts County				
McCarthy	Wycombe W				
McNiven	York City				
Minton	Port Vale				
O'Halloran	Swindon Town				
Ormerod	Blackpool				
Pitcher	Kingstonian				
Tillson	Walsall				
Thorpe	Bristol City				
Watson	Brighton & H				
Williamson	Southend Utd				
Winston	Kingstonian				
Zamora	Brighton & H				
Zola	Chelsea				

### 2000-2001 Competition Stats

<b>Total Results so far</b>		<b>Goals:</b>	
Games.....	106	Total Goals.....	307
Home Wins (inc.extra time).....	66	Total Penalties (scored).....	14
Away Wins (inc.extra time).....	37	Total Own Goals.....	8
0-0 Draws (inc.at 90 mins).....	7	Total Hat-Tricks.....	4
Score Draws (inc.at 90 mins) 20		Ave. Goals per game.....	2.89
Highest Attendance:	37,862.....	(Newcastle vs A.Villa, Rd.3)	
Lowest Attendance:	1,023.....	(For.Green v Morecambe, Rd.1)	
Total Attendance:	784,733.....	(106 Games)	
Average Attendance:	7,403.14		
Total Yellow Cards:	282.....	(106 games)	
Clubs with most Cautions:	Nuneaton Borough.....	(8 Yell, 1 Red)	
	Southend United.....	(8 Yell, 1 Red)	
Average Yellow Cards:	2.66 per game		
Total Red Cards:	24		
Biggest Winning Margin:	5 Goals.....	(Darlington 6-1 Sudbury, Rd.1;	
	Swindon T., 5-0 Gateshead, Rd.2;	Chelsea 5-0 Peterborough, Rd.3)	
Biggest Home Win:	6-1.....	(Darlington vs Sudbury, Rd.1)	
Biggest Away Win:	4 Goal Margin		
	(Aldershot 2-6 Brighton, Rd.1)		
Highest Scoring Match:	8 Goals		
	(Aldershot 2-6 Brighton, Rd.1)		
Closest Winning Margin:	1 Goal, replay, a.e.t.....	(5 games)	
'Extra Time' Replays:	5 Ties		

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#### WHAT WAS THE LAST CD YOU BOUGHT?

The Marshall Mathers LP by Eminem

#### AND THE LAST BOOK?

Economic textbooks for my degree!

#### WHAT WAS THE LAST FILM YOU WENT TO SEE?

The Sixth Day

#### WHERE WAS THE LAST FOREIGN COUNTRY YOU VISITED FOR A HOLIDAY?

Denmark

#### WHEN DID YOU LAST GET ANGRY?

To be honest I never get angry (lucky fellow! — Ed)

#### WHEN DID YOU LAST COOK AN IMPRESSIVE MEAL?

I may cook but it is rarely impressive

#### WHAT WAS YOUR LAST ACT OF KINDNESS?

Constantly keeping Gavin Peacock's ego in check

#### WHAT WAS THE LAST ITEM OF CLOTHING YOU BOUGHT?

A polo necked sweater, much loved by my team mates!

#### WHAT IS THE LAST THING YOU THINK OF BEFORE YOU GO TO SLEEP?

What am I going to have for breakfast.....?

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## THE TEAM

Miklosko, Baraclough, Carlisle, Plummer, Morrow (Wardley)  
Langley, Kulcsar (Peacock), Darlington, Connolly, Crouch, Koejoe  
unused subs: Harper, Perry, Warren

PETER CROUCH CELEBRATES AS RANGERS FIGHT BACK



PETER CROUCH USES HI HEAD



luton town vs queens park rangers 06.01.01



## away with therangers

RANGERS' ROVING REPORTER REFLECTS ON RECENT AWAY GAMES. THIS WEEK: GERALDINE FIELD ON A DRAMATIC FA CUP THIRD ROUND DRAW

### the match

**LUTON TOWN**  
Axa Sponsored FA Cup Third  
Round at Kenilworth Road,  
Saturday January 6th

### the outcome

A stunning 3-3 draw. Early Luton pressure and some indifferent defending gave the home side a 2-0 lead at half time. But two clinical finishes from the increasingly impressive Peter Crouch levelled the scores within 15 minutes of the restart. Luton then took the lead and appeared to have won the game before a bizarre handball by Lee Nogan gave Rangers' a 90th minute penalty. Gavin Peacock equalised.

### getting there

No problems at all and only a 100 mile roundtrip which makes a change! Parking is always a nightmare in Luton, especially with the ground situated smack bang in the middle of row upon row of terraced

houses. we managed to find a car park though which only charged £2 for the whole day. Bargain!

### stadium and food

Quite an odd place. The stadium almost appears to be built in to terraced houses and you can't get all the way round. One side of the ground famously comprises of executive boxes only which takes some getting used to. I was told that the food and drink was very good at the ground although I didn't get any myself — the queues were a bit of a nightmare.

### the programme

£2 for 48 pages is about par for the course. A clean and uncluttered style with a number of interesting contemporary and historical articles.

### top man

Has to be Peter Crouch. He just kept going throughout and once

again deserved his goals which were very well taken. If anyone deserved a hat-trick it was him and who knows, if we had been 2-0 up in injury time he probably would have taken that penalty. Talking of which, Gavin deserves a lot of credit. He helped turn the game when he came on at half time and his well taken penalty was just so cool. He saved the day!

### performance

How many emotions did we go through? The first half performance was poor and we could have few complaints at the score.

We were much improved in the second half though and we could have won the game. It would have been nice to get through without the need for replay but if we had been offered a draw at half-time we definitely would have taken it.



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# JuniOr R's

ALL THE LATEST NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER FANS



I hope this evening lives up to the excitement of the game at Kenilworth Road, but of course we can do without the trauma of that first half. Oh, the Romance of the Cup.....

Talking of Romance, it will soon be Valentines Day, I wonder how many cards a nice chap like me will receive?

By the way, please keep sending in your letters and photos to me at the the stadium.

My friend the editor has promised he will print any good photos of Junior Rs in their kits, and he would also love to print some of your drawings or paintings.

You don't have to be a brilliant artist — in fact the only requirement is that you support Queens Park Rangers!

Make sure you get behind our lads tonight, because you all know who could be next!

C'mon you  
R'sssssssssssssssssssssssssssss  
Love Jude.

## RECIPROCALLS

At the time of going to print, there are still a few tickets remaining for the trip to Norwich on Saturday. Prices, which include match

and coach ticket, are £7 for Junior R's and £14 for adults (members). Tickets are available from the box office.

If you would like more information on the Junior R reciprocal scheme please call Sarah Holt at Loftus Road on 020 8740 2533.

## MASCOT DUTY

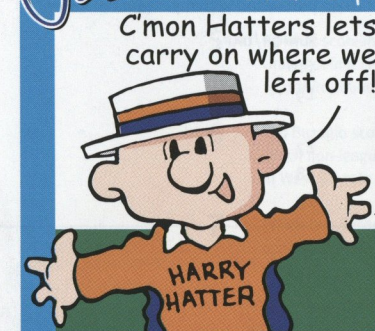
Leading the boys out this afternoon is: **Jack Tucker from Pinner.**

AGE: 6  
SCHOOL: Moriah School  
HOBBIES: Football, cricket and swimming  
FAVOURITE PLAYER: Gavin Peacock



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**Jude** The adventures of the Loftus Road cat



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# priority tickets for possible fa cup fourth round tie with arsenal

- QPR supporters attending tonight's FA Cup third round replay against Luton Town will receive special priority for tickets for the fourth round tie with Arsenal should Rangers qualify for that stage.
- Should Rangers win the replay, season ticket holders and current members will be allowed to bring four guests, and they have from 9.30am tomorrow — Thursday January 18th — to 5pm on Wednesday January 24th to claim their own seat.
- Tickets for Luton Town ticket stub holders will go on sale from 10.30am on Sunday January 21st for personal callers only.

Any remaining tickets will be on sale from 9.30am on Monday January 22nd with a maximum of four per person.

- Should Rangers beat Luton, the fourth round tie with Arsenal will take place on Saturday January 27th with a 3pm kick off.

## loftus road ticket information

PREVIEWS AND DETAILS OF TICKETS AND TRAVEL FOR AWAY GAMES CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 31.

Tickets can be purchased two months in advance for all home league matches. Cup matches to be announced. Telephone credit card bookings can be made directly to the Box Office on 020 8540 6655 (extra charges will apply). Please have all Client Reference numbers ready if booking in members areas. If applying by post, please enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.

### matchday prices 2000/2001

	If purchased 72 hours or more before kick-off		Matchday tickets and tickets purchased within 72 hours of kick-off	
	ADULT	JUNIOR/OAP	ADULT	JUNIOR/OAP
South Africa Road	£19	£10	£20	£10
Alfred McAlpine	£17	£9	£18	£9
Homes Stand				
Loft Upper*	£14	£7	£15	£7
Loft Lower	£16	£8	£17	£8
The Paddocks	£14	£7	£15	£7

Juniors must be born on or after 01.01.84. OAPs must be born on or before 01.08.40

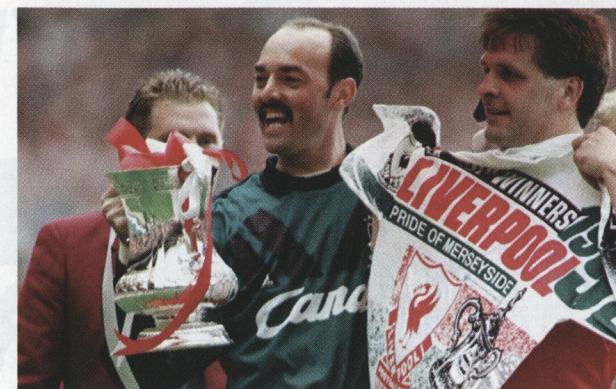
The Loftus Road Upper Stand is members only. Members pay £2 less (Adults) and £1 less (Juniors/OAPs) in the Lower Loft and the Paddocks. There are no limits to the number of guests a member can take into the Loftus Road Lower Stand and the Paddocks. Guests tickets can also be purchased on the day of the match subject to availability.

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### r 1 — little big men

The heroic performances of the smaller teams are the lifeblood of this great competition. Let's salute the minnows!

- Ronnie Radford scored a famous giant killing for goal for which side against Newcastle in 1972?
- Which top flight side did Sutton United defeat in the Third Round of 1989?
- Who scored Second Division Sunderland's cup final winning goal against mighty Leeds in 1973?
- The last top flight team to lose to at home to a non-league team were Birmingham in 1986 — who beat them?
- By what scoreline did Colchester United defeat Leeds United in the 1971 third round?
- Tim Buzaglo scored a hat-trick for which non-league side in a 4-1 win at West Brom in 1991?
- Which two Second Division sides contested an FA Cup quarter-final in 1997?

### r 2 — final countdown

Seven tricky teasers for your enjoyment on the big day itself — the FA Cup Final

- Which team won the first ever FA Cup Final in 1872?
- At which stadium were all finals between 1895 and 1914 held?
- The first ever Cup Final replay saw Chelsea beat which side at Old Trafford in 1970?
- Roger Osborne scored the winning goal for which side in 1978?
- How many FA Cup finals have finished 0-0?
- In which year did BOTH teams last score in the FA Cup Final?
- Who scored the only goal of the 1995 FA Cup Final between Everton and Manchester United?

### r 3 — mixed bag

seven all-sorts on the world's greatest cup competition

- Which team has appeared in most FA Cup semi-finals?
- In which year in the 1980s did Plymouth Argyle reach the last four?
- In which season was the FA Cup Final last played before an official attendance of 100,000?
- Who scored Coventry City's winning goal in the 1987 final?
- Who was the first American to play in an FA Cup Final?
- Which Everton player scored twice in the 1989 final but still ended up on the losing side?
- Who were the last team to win two consecutive finals?

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## rangerswomen

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### latest news

The latest news from the F.A. is that the establishment of a women's professional football league is inevitable. Results from initial research have given the F.A. encouragement for the success of the whole project.

Results indicated that there would be a potential family audience along with those already interested in the men's game. There was concern within the women's game as to how the league could be sustained and funded but at the same time they were very excited by the concept in principle.

The groups researched believed that professionalisation of the women's game was inevitable and that it must be created in a structured manner rather than evolving, further more all the groups felt that

the F.A. were the only organisation that would be able to protect the values and ideals of the women's game from being overtaken by commercialism.

Both players and fans researched felt that professionalism should enhance the positive aspects currently in the game and ensure that the pyramid remains strong below the professional league. There was also a feeling that the women's game could strengthen the image of football in England.

The F.A. are now devising a marketing plan based on the research and ongoing consultation with the women's league. Studies have also been commissioned into professional leagues both here and

overseas. The plan will be in place by March 2001 where it will then go for further consultation with women's football before being taken to potential media and commercial partners in the summer of 2001.

Draft costings for the project are to be drawn up based on consultation with the AXA F.A. Women's Premier League, The F.A. Carling Premier League and Nationwide Football League and using Fulham FC's women's professional side as a guide. These will be finalised in March.

There is much work still to be done but the F.A. is confident that they are on track to creating the first successful women's professional football league in Europe. Let's keep our fingers crossed.





## nextplease...norwich city | fulham

THE PACE QUICKENS OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS AS RANGERS PLAY HOST TO SOME POTENTIALLY MOUTHWATERING GAMES.

**T**he next 17 days could be the most crucial period of Rangers' season as Gerry's men attempt to steer themselves clear of the relegation waters.

If Rangers are to overcome Luton tonight, they will face three massive home games in the space of eight days against teams in the finest of fettle. It would be a real test of Rangers' strength and stamina.

Before all that though, an opportunity for swift revenge presents itself in the form of Norwich City. The Canaries returned to Norfolk on Boxing Day with all three points from a smash and grab raid at Loftus Road, and Rangers will be looking to perform a similar feat when they play at Carrow Road this weekend.

Despite their win here last month, this has been a disappointing season for Norwich with manager Bryan Hamilton resigning only nine months after Bruce Rioch left the club. Both felt the task of rebuilding a club riven by the debts of a previous regime beyond them and with the current board unwilling to release the necessary funds for a concerted

promotion challenge, new boss Nigel Worthington will have his work cut out keeping the Carrow Road faithful happy.

City's only purchases this season have seen strikers Alex Notman and Zema Abbey come in from Manchester United and Cambridge United respectively and whilst they promise much for the future, City's immediate battle with avoiding the relegation scrap beneath them is still a worry.

Despite losing to them only three weeks ago, Rangers may justifiably feel that they still have every chance of securing a vital three points away from home for the first time this season.

Obviously at this stage we cannot know who Rangers' next opponents will be. But either way — they're going to present the toughest of challenges.

If Rangers win tonight, Arsenal will visit Loftus Road a week on Saturday in the Fourth Round. Whilst Arsene Wenger's team may be more concerned with the bigger fish of a title challenge and Champions League glory this season, the FA Cup is still a coveted trophy and much loved by

the supporters of a club who have lifted the trophy on seven occasions.

Their world class players are familiar to every football fan throughout the country and Rangers would need to call on all their powers of organisation to hold back one of Europe's best teams. Nevertheless, thoughts of Arsenal must be ignored for now whilst tonight's game has yet to be resolved.

One imposing fixture that definitely will take place sees Division One leaders Fulham travel to Loftus Road in a fortnight's time. Jean Tigana's men are undisputedly the best team in Division One — a Premiership club-elect — and with the financial backing of Mohammed Al Fayed they have every chance of making a big impression in the top flight as well.

At the moment their priority is to ensure promotion is achieved without a hiccup and at present there seems little danger of that. The outstanding Louis Saha will make life hard for Rangers and although wins are vital a draw against this impressive team should be regarded as something of a triumph.

### norwich city

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- ▶ SATURDAY JANUARY 20TH
- ▶ KICK OFF 3PM

### fulham

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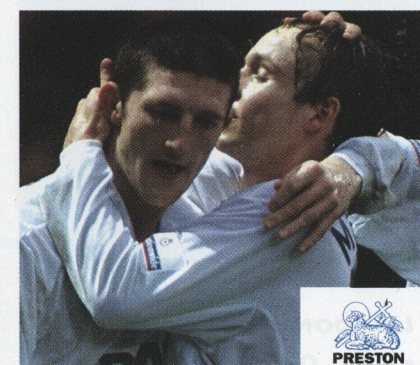
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- ▶ WEDNESDAY JANUARY 31ST
- ▶ KICK OFF 8PM

## on the road

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PRESTON NORTH END



### norwichcity

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE  
SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY  
KICK OFF 3PM  
CARROW ROAD NORWICH, NR1 1JE

#### tickets & travel:

2000 seat tickets priced at £15 for adults, £9 for juniors under 16, £9 for OAPs and £3 for juniors under 12 are now on general sale. Tickets will be on sale up to and including Friday 19th January and will then be taken off sale and returned for sale on the day. Tickets purchased on the day go up £1

#### SUPPORTERS CLUB COACH:

The coach departs Loftus Road at 10.30am. Tickets are priced at £12 for adults and £6 for Juniors/OAPs.

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There will be no reserved train travel until further notice.

#### BY ROAD:

Take M11 exiting at junction with A11 before Cambridge. Just outside Norwich follow signs for Norwich E, onto the A47. After four miles take direction Lowestoft A146. Follow signs for County Hall, right at T-junction. At roundabout by County Hall take second exit (direction ring road) and after 600 yards turn right (direction Ring Road A47) into King Street for Carrow Road

#### food & drink:

The Compleat Angler 100 yards from the station is clean friendly and serves good food by the river. Nearer the ground the Kingsway is a popular meeting place for away fans and is only 150 yards from the entrance to the away end.

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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE  
SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY  
KICK OFF 3PM  
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#### tickets & travel:

685 seat tickets priced at £15 for adults, £9 concessions go on general sale on Saturday January 27th. 2105 terrace tickets priced at £13 for adults, £8 concessions will be available on the day from Preston.

#### SUPPORTERS CLUB COACH:

The coach departs Loftus Road at 8.30am. Tickets are priced at £16 for adults and £8 for Juniors/OAPs.

#### TRAIN:

There will be no reserved train travel until further notice.

#### BY ROAD:

Exit M6 at Junction 31 then take the A59 towards Preston. After one mile take the second exit at the roundabout in to Blackpool Road (A5085). Continue for 1.5 miles until you get to the crossroads with Deepdale Road. Turn left and the ground is on your right.

#### food & drink:

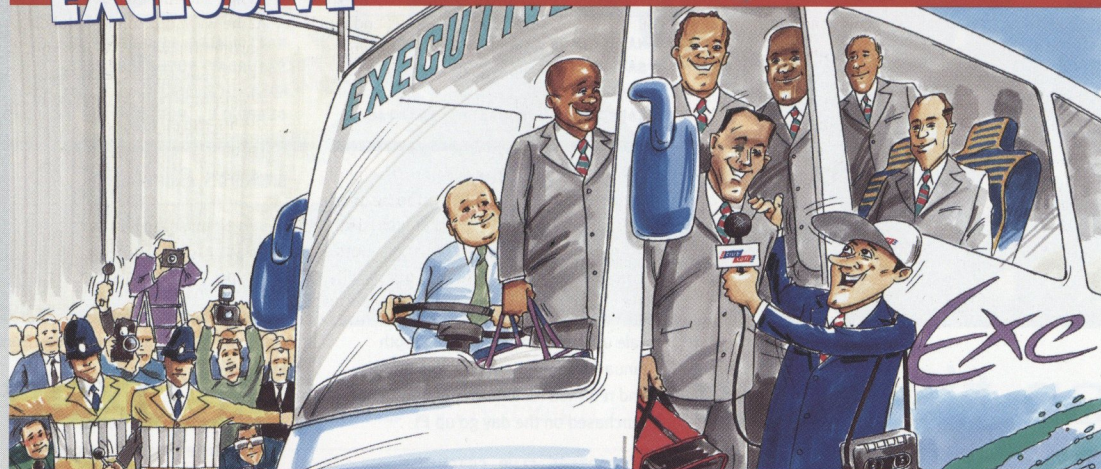
The ground itself has a bar called 'Legends' which welcomes home and away supporters and serves bar snacks. Families welcome before the game.

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If we are successful tonight then the visit of Arsenal on Saturday week would be a great shot in the arm for every-one connected with QPR — not least the supporters whose backing at Luton was brilliant — very noisy and positive even when we were chasing the game in the final few minutes.

I believe we are putting in place a marketing plan which will stand the club in good stead in the future — based on a customer focused culture with community relations and much improved communication between the club and supporters at its core.

Already the new newspaper 'The Beat Around The Bush' has proved itself to be an excellent additional communication piece with both supporters and potential fans in our locality and we operate a very successful Club Call telephone line.

However we are very aware of the shortcomings of the official website and an all new state of the art site will be launched (using the current domain name [www.qpr.co.uk](http://www.qpr.co.uk)) in July in partnership with PTV — a joint venture between the Football League and NTL. More details of this exciting relaunch will follow over the next couple of months.

Our thanks go to all our matchday sponsors for their support of QPR this evening.

Enjoy the game.

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